

Weekly Intelligencer.

OFFICIAL COUNTY PAPER.

Randolph county is for Cockrell.

Cape Girardeau county is for Cockrell.

General Roberts has defeated Ayob Khan.

Vernon county has instructed for Cockrell.

Senator Carpenter is sick, and has abandoned the stump.

Gen. Roberts has captured all of Ayob Khan's artillery.

The other fellows might just as well get out of Cockrell's way.

The queen prologued parliament, Tuesday, till November 24.

A severe hurricane passed over the Bermudas one day last week.

Hon. R. D. Bland has been renominated for congress without opposition.

The building seems to be principally done by republicans this year.

Several hundred Mormons are on their way to this country from England.

Col. Althaus of Sidney, Iowa, a republican for many years, is to take the stump for Hancock.

Gen. Hawley, of Connecticut, failed to secure a renomination for congress.

Mr. Buck succeeds him.

Gold continues to come to this country from England and other European countries in large amounts.

The reputation amendment to the constitution was voted at the Arkansas election, last Monday.

Manila lost \$6,000,000 worth of property by the recent earthquake, and still feels slight shocks at intervals.

Villier Powell and Achille Thomas were hanged, at New Orleans, September 3, for the murder of Theogene Gendrel.

A fire in St. Louis, Tuesday evening, destroyed three ice-houses and a portion of the Excelsior iron manufacturing works.

Stephen Richardson was hanged at Washington, N. C., September 3, for the murder of his mother-in-law, Lucy Rhinney.

A number of valuable vessels were wrecked on the Florida coast in the cyclone which occurred in the Gulf a few days ago.

Senator Logan is reported to have come to a truce with Washington, the other day. "I am afraid they've got Garfield."

Gen. Haskell and his salvation army have left St. Louis and commenced operations at Cairo, Ill., and expect to capture the town.

Thirty thousand masons are at work on a strike in Worcester and Staffordshire, and even toe nails have an upward tendency.

St. Louis merchants report that trade in all its branches is very lively, and that it is from twenty-five to forty per cent. greater than last year.

Jefferson City correspondence Kansas City Mail: "After the election at the capital indicate the re-election of Gen. Cockrell on the first ballot."

A grand exhibition of fruits has been in progress, this week, at the Merchants' exchange, St. Louis. Nearly all the states and territories are represented.

It is said that Gen. Miles, the well-known Indian fighter, will receive the appointment of chief signal officer, in the army.

The war party seems to be the strongest in China, and the czar may not be so easily rid of his troubles as he thought.

What with 500,000,000 pig-tails and uncounted nihilists, the old man's dalliance with a woman not his wife can't be so pleasant as it might be under other circumstances.

Fourteen war vessels have arrived at Saigon, in the demonstration against France.

The French iron-clad got there a council of war will be held to decide upon the character of the operations.

Judge Richardson of the court of claims, a stalwart of the stalwarts, said, to a Massachusetts friend, a few days ago: "It looks as though Hancock would be elected, and I hope he will be. He would make a better president than the other man."

The Annapolis, a steam gun vessel, loaded with 30,000 pounds of government rice, was captured by Chinese pirates in the Gulf of Tonkin, the other day.

If the Chinese navy cannot put down piracy in its own waters, it can't be as effective and extensive as it is described by naval writers.

Gen. Churchill, governor-elect of Arkansas, is well known to Missourians as a gallant officer in the late unpleasantness.

He distinguished himself upon many battle-fields, but nowhere more brilliantly than at the battle of Wilson Creek, as a colonel of cavalry. He has been treasurer of the state two terms.

The International Congress of Commerce is in session at Brussels, Belgium. The United States is represented.

We should like to hear from the delegates when they return, upon the cost to the shipping and commerce of the country, of the high-way robbery protective policy of the tariff in vogue for the last fifteen years.

The radicals waked up a lion when they assailed Thomas A. Hendricks, and Mr. Sherman's platitudinous generalities about the Louisiana frauds made him look like a turn-of-the-century politician.

He was beset by the red hot truths of the great Indian, who was robbed of the office to which he was elected by the people.

HIS GREATEST ORIME.

As a matter of fact there have been few jobs passed through congress during the past sixteen years that Mr. James A. Garfield has not advocated, so it is not matter of wonder that his record is as bad as could well be imagined in the Credit Mobilier affair, in the back pay bill, in the Sanborn contract, in the DeGolyer business, and in various matters of stock-jobbing legislation in which he was concerned. These were all disgraceful acts, violative of the trust reposed in him by his constituents, and dishonoring to the high position which he occupied. But he was guilty of a crime greater than any of these, a crime which should consign him to political infamy. It was there were such deliberate falseness in the American mind as the great boon of popular liberty should last for a few people.

At the presidential election in 1876, Mr. Tilden received, in Louisiana, 87,725 votes, and Mr. Hayes received 174,000. There was no charge that the 87,725 voters were not entitled to vote, but when it became apparent that the vote of Louisiana would be necessary to keep the republican party in power, the cry was raised that numbers of republicans had been intimidated and prevented from voting. Witnesses were manufactured by the republicans, and they were ever alert and ever bold, seeing the opportunity to carry out the vile purposes of his party, telegraphed that Hayes was elected by one vote; and, from that moment, it was understood by the corrupt leaders that that result was to be reached at all hazards. Excitement ran high in respect to the election of Gen. Grant Mr. Garfield, among others, went to Louisiana, ostensibly to see a "fair count," really to see that the count resulted in favor of Mr. Hayes. The latter had given up the election—had conceded the election of Mr. Tilden—and expressed regret, not for his defeat, but for the horrible fate of the poor negro, who he had no more to be regarded in than he turned over to the tender mercies of the democrats. Troops were concentrated at New Orleans, and when Messrs. Sherman and Garfield had arrived, and Eliza Pinkston had been evoked from the cess-pool of perjury and harlotry, when the returning board, all republican in violation of law, was ready, all was prepared for the most stupendous fraud that was ever perpetrated upon a people alleged to be free.

It was soon apparent that the returning board would hesitate at no crime necessary to count out Mr. Tilden and count in Mr. Hayes. Every proposition made by the democrats to Mr. Garfield and his associates for measures to secure a proper count of the vote, and all were rejected. He and Mr. Sherman were there for another object. They saw that their purpose would be accomplished by Mr. Wells and his associates, and they returned to interfere. This board had been found guilty, in 1874, by Mr. Wm. A. Wheeler, of taking the majority from one side and giving it to the other, by "unjust, arbitrary and illegal acts," and had been denounced by him in his report to congress as "a disgrace to civilization." But here, abetted by James A. Garfield and John Sherman, this "disgraceful" board, without protest from but with the encouragement of these gentlemen, fully stole from the American people the verdict they had recorded at the ballot box. Alleging that the democrats had driven colored voters from the polls, they, by perjury, forgery, and fraud, reduced the democratic vote, at first acknowledged, to a mere fraction of its original strength, and then, by their own supervisors to have been placed in the ballot-box, from 83,723 to 70,508, and decreased the republican vote, at first certified by their own supervisors to be correct, from 177,174 to 75,315, thus giving the state to the republicans by a reduction of their own vote below the terrifying demonstration of the fraud, and still further reducing the democratic vote; taking men's votes out of the ballot-boxes because, as was alleged, other men had prevented still other men from exercising their rights of franchise. Was there ever a more stupendous fraud?

Not satisfied with making himself the ally of Wells, Anderson, Cassanova, Keane, and Agnew, and John Pinkston, Mr. Garfield supplemented his record on this question, as made at New Orleans, by one still more unfair and disgraceful, if such a thing were possible. When the electoral commission bill was proposed, as a last method of finding a peaceful solution of the vexed question of the presidency, Mr. Garfield strenuously opposed it on the ground that it allowed an argument as to the correctness of the returns as made to the electoral college. Satisfied that the returns had been prepared, however fraudulent, in the interests of his party, he was opposed to any bill permitting such a course. The bill became a law; Mr. Garfield was appointed one of the commission, and, immediately, his opinion of the powers conferred by the law was changed, and he was ready to do anything to get the law repealed.

The rap of the presidency was one of the most severe and lasting blows against popular liberty that history records, and it is doubtful if its baleful influence will be so fraught with evil as will be the contempt which was brought upon the supreme court. Amid all the convulsions of civil war, amid the passions and prejudices engendered by years of sectional disagreement, amid nation and reclamation, this august tribunal had retained the confidence and affection of the people of all parts of the country. The bench which had been honored by a Jay, a Marshall, a Taney and a Chase, was never once accused of a partial inclination as to purity was in question, the supreme court, as cited if fairness was demanded, the supreme court was pointed to. If honesty was desired, the supreme court was held to be an honest tribunal. Here, then, at one fell swoop, was filched from the people, not alone the presidency, but their respect, and honor, and esteem for the supreme court. It had been ways held to be the last great arbiters of the legislative and executive branches of the government—apolitical and as much above suspicion as Caesar's wife. To-day there is none so poor as to do it reverence. No street gamins that does not meet an allusion to the case.

It is with a grimace, and an exclamation of "8 to 7." Mr. Garfield is a worthy man. He always has something to say when occasion demands it, and, rhetorically, he speaks well. He is no fool, either. But were he to say good words from now until the day of his death, and do good deeds to outmatch his words, he could not live long enough to recompense his country for this dual crime.

TERRIBLE COUNCIL REGISTER.

There has so much that is loose, demoralizing and corrupt about this American politics during the past fifteen years, that the mere perception of right and wrong which once distinguished the people has, to a very great extent, been obliterated. A crime against popular sovereignty which, twenty years ago, would have arrayed the whole country against its perpetrators, today, by itself, is merely regarded as a salary, as much to be expected for its rapacity as to be condemned for its rapacity.

We are led to this reflection by remembering that the council of the city of Lexington is to meet next Monday night, and by the singular doubt which presents itself as to whether or not the mayor and council will do their duty in the event of the contest between Mr. Thos. B. Claggett and Mr. Henry Turner. No such question should arise, but it does, and the reason why it does, can best be presented by a review of the facts in the case.

On Tuesday, June 1, 1880, there was an election to fill the various offices in the city of Lexington. The mayor, clerk, register, Mr. Thomas B. Claggett, an old and highly esteemed citizen, and Mr. Henry Turner were candidates for the office. According to the returns of the judges Mr. Turner received 390 votes, and Mr. Claggett 389, thus giving Mr. Turner a majority of one vote. A majority of one vote is a very small margin, and it is not surprising that the result should have been so close.

The election was held at the residence of Mr. John T. Hill, a prominent citizen, and was attended by a large number of voters. The result was a surprise to many, and it was not long before it was known that the election had been a fraud.

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